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FM AMEMBASSY OTTAWA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1666
INFO USAF GOOSE BAY
AMCONSUL ST JOHNS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MILI, PFOR, CA

SUBJECT: EMPLOYMENT AT GOOSE BAY

1. EXTAFB DEFREL OFFICER HAS SENT EMBASSY LETTER WHICH STATES THEY "HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT UNITED STATES MILITARY PERSONNEL ARE BEING BROUGHT IN TO HOPEDALE, SAGLEK, LABRADOR AND RESOLUTION ISLAND TO PERFORM REAL PROPERTY REPAIRS TO THE UNITED STATES COMMUNICATIONS STATIONS THERE. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE UNITED STATES MILITARY SKILLS BEING UTILIZED ARE APPROXIMATELY THE SAME AS THOSE OF THE CANADIAN CIVILIANS ASSIGNED TO THE USAF SAC MOBILE MAINTENANCE TEAM (MMT), WHO WERE DECLARED REDUNDANT ON JUNE 30, 1973, WHEN THE GOOSE BAY BASE WAS TRANSFERRED TO MOT; NAMELY, STEAM FITTERS, ELECTRICIANS, CARPENTERS, PLUMBERS, RIGGERS, PAINTERS AND LABORERS. A NUMBER OF TRADESMEN IN THESE CATEGORIES ARE SAID NOW TO BE UNEMPLOYED."

" IF OUR INFORMATION IS CORRECT, THAT MILITARY PERSONNEL ARE PERFORMING WORK PREVIOUSLY CARRIED OUT BY CANADIAN CIVILIANS, WE WOULD BE INTERESTED TO KNOW IF CONSIDERATION COULD BE GIVEN BY THE UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES TO EMPLOYING LOCAL CIVILIANS FOR THIS WORK. WE ARE ADVISED THE REQUIRED SKILLS ARE READILY AVAILABLE AT GOOSE BAY."

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2. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COMMENT WHICH ST. JOHN'S

AND USAF GOOSE BAY MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE ON THIS SUBJECT
AND THE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE ON REPLYING TO THE EXTAFF
INQUIRY.
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